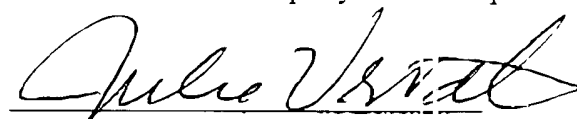


REMARKS

By the above amendment, Applicants hereby cancel non-elected claims 2, 5-7, 9, 10, 12-14, 16, 17, and 21-60, without prejudice to prosecution of the subject matter in a related divisional, continuation, or continuation-in-part application. This amendment is in response to a telephone conversation with Examiner Minh-Tam Davis regarding the related co-pending Application No. 09/289,198. A full response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed October 17, 2002 will be filed in due course.

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